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## Trade Conditions

The business gloom of a month ago has been transformed into an atmosphere of cheer. The pessimist of December is the optimist of January. The change in sentiment which has occurred in four weeks has made the whole business world look brighter and business men generally feel more hopeful.

Disagreeable facts were exaggerated last month and agreeable facts are being exaggerated now. The actual change in conditions is not nearly as great as the change in sentiment. Some men believed public statements which appeared last month that between ten and twenty million men were either out of employment altogether or laid off because of slow business. As there are only about 22 million men employed in the country in all the walks of life, the absurdity of this statement is apparent.

It is estimated by some leading statisticians that at one time about a week before the holidays, somewhere between one million and one million and a half men were idle, which would be approximately 5 per cent or 6 per cent of the men employed in the country. The entire number of the unemployed includes the presidents of the railroads as well as the conductors off the trains, the officers of the steel companies as well as the mill employees and, in fact, includes all men who devote their time to any business, receiving a remuneration therefor. As from 1 per cent to 3 per cent of the country's male adult population is always idle, the added number idle a month ago was not so unusual as was generally supposed. Even an extra 100,000 idle men, however, effects the whole business fabric and no one factor is doing more to create an optimistic feeling among business people than the returning to work of thousands of these men. Within six days about 50,000 men returned to work in the iron and steel industries. This means a living income of 150,000 more people dependent on these men. Every time another thousand men are added to the payrolls, business generally is given a boost and if the present rate of re-employment continues, the number of idle men on February first will not be greater, if as great, as the average number idle on that date for the

past ten years.—Business forecast issued by National Bank of the Republic, Kansas City, Mo.

The Kansas City Star recently printed the following editorial relative to Governor Hodges, on its front page, with double leads between the lines:

"Governor Hodges of Kansas, has never been under suspicion as a party man. He is the kind of a Democrat that his party has made its state leader since the death of late William A. Harris. He is the second Democrat to be made Governor of Kansas within the history of the state. He is a close, personal and political friend of the President Wilson and Secretary Bryan and stands high in the esteem of the national administration. In his speech at the Central Methodist church last night, Governor Hodges urged commission government for Kansas City and for every big city in America and not only for the cities, but for the states.

"Party politics," Mr. Hodges said, "has no place in municipal or state governments. The only excuse that has ever existed for party politics in election of a state legislature was that of the election of a United States Senator, and now the provision for the election of senators by the people has eliminated even that excuse. Our state and municipal government demands efficiency, and we will not have efficiency in government until we fix direct responsibility to our people."

Is there a democrat in Kansas City, aside from the political bosses that believes Governor Hodges is any the less a good party man because he advocates efficient government?

Who speak for the Democratic party the friends of President Wilson or the ward politician?

## Strayed

One black hog weight about 180 pounds. Reward offered. It 2-9 ad Fred B. Hullet

## Friend's Church

The Friends Church of Liberal, Kansas has called John I. Huff of Colo. Springs, Colo., to take charge of the church at this place. He will be here Feb. 8, or on the "Go-to-Church-Sunday."

Rev. Huff is not only a good speaker but has had several years experience as an evangelistic singer. Come and hear him. Everybody welcome. All services at Friends Church in Stamper block. Bible School, 9:45. Service for worship, 11:00. Christian Endeavor, 6:30. Service for worship, 7:30.

## For Sale

Eight head of good young work horses already for the collar prices right. See 4t-9 ad Fred B. Hullet

## Let The Children Farm

Let the children show us how to supply the family table. Kansas farmers buy fifty per cent of the vegetables used during the year. Comparatively few lot owners in towns and cities and villages grow enough vegetables for summer use, let alone growing anything for canning. There are enough waste places on every farm to grow vegetables for the year's use. There are enough idle lots in the average Kansas town to supply vegetables for a great many families. There are not half enough flower gardens; we do not grow half enough potatoes; not one tenth of the tomatoes we eat.

The Agricultural College is trying to get twenty thousand boys and girls interested in one or more contests, including contests in corn and kafir, growing poultry and pig raising, bread and sewing contests, fruit and vegetable canning contests, etc., and teachers, bankers, and everybody is urged to get in the game. The College will assist in special campaigns in a few counties where local committees are interested, paying half of salary and expenses for about a month for a local man or woman to organize the boys and girls.

The "family garden" contest ought to interest a great many boys and girls. It calls for a plot of ground 50x50 feet or 50x100 feet. The "tomato contest" is for boys or girls, and each committee is advised to make its own plans, either one-tenth acre or one rod square, or a committee may authorize twenty-five plants, the girls to plant as they choose, cultivate carefully and can the tomatoes. The College will send circulars about the growing of vegetables and about canning fruit and vegetables. Then there is the "flower garden" contest and the "lawn" contest. Is there a village or a town in Kansas that could not be made more beautiful by proper handling of yards and lawns? Why not start by organizing a "tin can" contest and a "clean up" campaign and get the little old town clean? Then get the schools to organize contests until all the boys and girls are enlisted in one contest or another. Next October each village and country and town school should have an "exhibit day," and every child should be encouraged to bring something he or she has grown or made and the whole town should visit the school.

An industrious boy or girl who will use brains as well as tools should grow in one season between two and three hundred pounds of vegetables for the table. Of course crops must be in succession, from lettuce and radishes in March to turnips as late as August, and there must be two or three of certain staple vegetables. Every foot of this tenth acre should be producing something all the time.

These boys' and girls' contests ought to have the help of all people interested in building up our State. Womens clubs and city officers could well afford to get behind this movement in the villages and towns and "do it now." Farmers Institute officers, bankers, and county superintendents are beginning to push the contest work among the boys and girls of the country. Why should not local committees plan to send prize winners in these contests in "A" class (between 15 and 21 years) to the State Institute next winter? Pamphlets about all this work may be had by addressing the College Extension Division of the Agricultural College at Manhattan.

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## Business Change.

Fred B. Hullet sold the City Meat Market this week to F. S. Davis of Beaver City. Mr. Mathews will remain as meat cutter. Mr. Davis took charge on February 1st. Mr. Hullet will continue to buy live-stock.

Miss May Flood and Ada Hobbie returned Wednesday from Dodge City where they have been visiting.

Wanted—to make a few loans on Improved Land in Seward or Beaver Co. ad-4t-1-30 R. J. Coffey.

Emil Harrison went to Hutchinson Thursday on business.

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## Notice for Publication

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Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at Dodge City, Kansas,  
February 2, 1914

Notice is hereby given that Edwin E. King, of Moscow, Kansas, who on May 4, 1909 made Homestead Application, serial No. 08560, for lots 3, 4, south 1/2, northwest 1/4 section 5, township 22 south, range 34 w, 6th P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the clerk of the district court of Seward County, Kansas, at Liberal, Kansas, on the 10th day of March, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses: Claude D. Davis, Horace G. Downing, John Jerman, Walter H. Whetstone, all of Moscow, Kansas.  
Not coal land. H. F. Millikan, Register.

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Notice is hereby given that John Jerman, of Moscow, Kansas, who, on April 23, 1909, made Homestead Application, Serial, No. 08557, for SW 1/4, section 5, Township 22s, Range 34w, 6th P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Clerk of the District Court of Seward County, Kansas, at Liberal, Kansas, on the 10th day of March, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses: Claude D. Davis, Horace G. Downing, Edwin E. King, and Walter H. Whetstone, all of Moscow, Kansas.  
H. F. Millikan, Register.  
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## Notice for Publication

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Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at Dodge City, Kansas,  
December 23, 1913.

Notice is hereby given that Thomas F. Frain, of Liberal, Kansas, who, on February 20, 1907, made Homestead Application No. 29187, Serial No. 06677, for Lots 3, 4, 8, NW 1/4, Section 3, Township 24s, Range 35w, 6th P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Clerk of the District Court of Seward County, Kansas, at Liberal, Kansas, on the 10th day of February 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses: Clarence R. Corkins, of Liberal, Kansas, Ike Sewell, of Liberal, Kansas, Isaac Pennington, of Liberal, Kansas, Nathan A. Smith, of Hayne, Kansas.  
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Department of the Interior,  
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Notice is hereby given that Nathan A. Smith, of Liberal, Kansas, who on February 27, 1907, made Homestead Application No. 29290, Serial No. 06630, for SW 1/4, Sec. 3, Twp. 24s, Range 35w, 6th P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Clerk of the District Court of Seward County, Kansas, at Liberal, Kansas, on the 10th day of February, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses: Thomas F. Frain, of Liberal, Kansas, William C. Stout, of Arkalon, Kansas, Wood H. Miller, of Hayne, Kansas, Charles W. Finley, of Liberal, Kansas.  
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I have just received from New York one thousand samples of imported dress goods in all the lovely new shades and fabrics. If you don't find what you want at your merchant's I will be glad to have you call and see them.

Mrs. D. C. Wood.

W. N. Wright left this morning for Salina, where he will visit his son a few days.

## Farmers

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ad 12-19 Fred B. Hullett.

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Tom Maitland who will conduct revival services at the M. E. Church, commencing February 8th.